

REMARKS

By this Amendment, claims 43-57 are added. Accordingly, claims 6-32 and 40-57 are pending in this application. Claims 9-13 have been withdrawn from consideration.

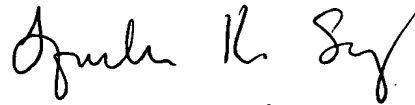
Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

New claims 43-57 are added to recite additional details with respect to Figure 7 of the application. Support for the added claims may be found in the specification, for example, on page 14, line 22 - page 15, line 16. Applicants submit that none of U.S. Patent No. 5,513,201 to Yamaguchi et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,317, 447 to Baird et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,936,984 to Meissner et al., or U.S. Patent No. 6,122,097 to Weston et al., disclose or suggest each and every feature recited in new claims 43-57.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 6-32 and 40-57 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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